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National Police Week Rally: Honoring and Remembering Law Enforcement Officers

Evansville, Ind. – Evansville City Council President Missy Mosby and Vice President Jonathan Weaver will join other local leaders this week in honoring and remembering law enforcement officers. A rally will take place Thursday, the 19th of May to commemorate National Police Week.

The rally begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center and is preceded by music by Sarah Werner at 5:15 p.m. The rally will begin with a prayer led by Rev. Tyrone Edwards followed by the Star Spangled Banner sung by Sarah Werner. Mayor Lloyd Winnecke will read and issue a proclamation followed by remarks from City Council President Missy Mosby and Vice President Jonathan Weaver, Fraternal Order of Police leadership, and representatives from the United Neighborhoods of Evansville. Willy, a retired Evansville Police Department K-9 officer, will also be joining the rally.

The City of Evansville joins communities across the United States coming together this week —May 9-21, 2015—to honor and remember law enforcement officers. Locally, you can show your support for law enforcement by tying a blue ribbon to one of your trees, your front porch, and/or the antenna of your vehicle. Citizens can also display blue lights or candles in their home or business windows throughout the week.

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those Law Enforcement Officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others. On average, one law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 58 hours.

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